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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136, the applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months to respond to the Office Action of April 30, 2009. Response will therefore be timely if filed with the Patent and Trademark Office no later than September 30, 2009.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.17, the required fee of \$490.00 should be deducted from Deposit Account No. 14-1315.

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